

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : DiStefano et al.                      Art Unit : 1645  
Serial No. : 10/656,530                      Examiner : Unknown  
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Title : REGULATION OF THE GROWTH HORMONE/IGF-1 AXIS

Commissioner for Patents  
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PETITION FOR FIVE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136, applicant hereby petitions that the period for response to the action dated April 11, 2006, be extended for five months to and including October 11, 2006.

Please apply the fee \$1080 and any charges to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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